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UNCLAS FEBRUARY 17. (PASS TO VOA) "IN ANGOLO CUBA PROVIDES THE DEAD AND RUSSIA EXPANDS ITS INTERESTS" SAID THE FOREIGN MINISTER OF COTA RICA, GONZALO FACIO, BEFORE LEAVING THIS COUNTRY AFTER A THREE-DAY VISIT IN WHICH HE TRIED TO PERSUADE UNSUCCESSFULLY PRESIDENT MOLINA TO ATTEND THE MEETING OF CENTRAL AMERICAN CHIEFS OF STATE.

MR FACIO WAS INTERVIEWED BY NEWSMAN FROM EL DIARIO DE HOY, THE MOST CONSERVATIVE NEWSPAPER IN THE COUNTRY, PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE FOR COSTA RICA. MR. FACIO EXPOUNDED ON WORLD POLICY AND SAID: "EN ANGOLA CUBA PONE LOST MUERTOS Y RUSIA SUS INTERESES...EN TODAS PARTES DEL MUNDO LAS GRANDES POTENCIAS SE DISPUTAN EL PODERIO MILITARY, YA SEA PARA FINES ESTRATEGICOS O PARA OTROS. EL CASO DE ANGOLA ES TIPICO. SE BUSCAN LOS YACI-MIENTOS DE PETROLEROS Y LOS DE DIAMANTES. EN LO ESTRATEGICO-MILITAR, LOS PUERTOS DE ANGOLA SON LA ENTRADA HACIA AFRICA. "ESTA BIEN", DIJO EL DR. FACIO, "QUE LOS GRANDES POTENCIAS DEFIENDAN SUS INTERESES. LO LAMENTABLE EN ESTE CASO ES QUE CUBA JUEGA UN PAPEL DE TONTO UTIL. Y YO LE AGREGARIA QUE MAS QUE TONTO, UTIL."
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